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Thursday, November 14, 2019

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

International Coffee Hour November 21!

International Coffee Hour during International Education Week will be held from 2-4 pm on Thursday, November 21 in the CME in Maucker Union. There will be international coffees to try as well as treats!

Winter Clothing Drive

The International Student and Scholars Office is sponsoring a winter clothing drive November 1-20. Coats, scarves, gloves, etc. will be made available to international students who are not prepared for the Iowa winter. Donation boxes are located in the ISSO, 113 MAU.

International Education Week November 18-22

International Education Week will be held on campus November 18-22. It will be a celebration of international education and culture. Various activities and events will be held on campus. See [International Education Week](#) for the schedule.

Taste of Culture International Fair November 18

The Taste of Culture International Fair will be held on November 18 from 4-6 pm in the Maucker Union Central Ballroom. Learn about different countries and cultures, try international food and enjoy live entertainment as well as a chance to win prizes!

Craft Night with Mary Young Bear November 19

Mary Young Bear from the Meskwaki Reserve is coming to UNI to teach us how to make a traditional bracelet. A maximum of 12 participants may attend. Sign up [here](#)! Held November 19 from 5:30-7pm in the Makers Space in Rod Library.

Morningstar Dance Troupe Native Dance Performance November 20

Experience the powerful movements of the Morningstar Dance Troupe perform native dance ceremonies. Wednesday, November 20 at 7 pm in the Maucker Union Ballroom.

Ukulele Club

The UNI Ukulele Club meets every Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 pm in Room 068, Russell Hall. Ukuleles are provided. No experience necessary.

Be a Buddy for Spectrum Project

Applications are now being accepted for the Be a Buddy for Spectrum Project. The project combines music, drama, movement and art for children with different abilities. Find more information and [apply online](#).

The Learning Center at Rod Library

All students are encouraged to use The Learning Center @ Rod Library for assistance with writing, math, science, and college reading and learning strategies. Beginning week two, The Learning Center (TLC) operates on a walk-in basis and is open 10:00 am to 10:00 pm Monday through Thursday. For more information, go to <https://tlc.uni.edu/tutoring>, email TheLearningCenter@uni.edu, call 319-273-6023, or visit the TLC desk located on the main floor of Rod Library. If you are unable to come in during normal tutoring hours, online tutoring is available through Smarthinking. You will need your CATID and passphrase to gain access. To access the Smarthinking platform go to <https://tlc.uni.edu/schedule>.

IMMIGRATION

Optional Practical Training (OPT) for Eligible F-1 Students

If you hold F-1 status and you are planning to graduate in December 2019, now is the perfect time to think about applying for Optional Practical Training as you are

probably eligible for this 12 month period of employment authorization within the U.S. See our web site for more information about [OPT](#).

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

International Student Support Group

International Student Support Group starts on September 16 and will meet every Monday from 3:30-5:00 pm in the Student Health Center, 2nd floor. The International Student Support Group allows international students to share their experiences with others who can understand and relate to their concerns. To learn more about the group, you can consult a counselor by calling or walking into the counseling center from 8 am-4 pm, no appointment required. Contact 319-273-2676, Student Health Center, 2nd floor.

Free Ballroom/Swing Dance Lessons

What better way to try something new than FREE dance lessons! Every Wednesday night at 7 p.m. at the Wellness and Recreation Center Room 87! Email [UNI Ballroom/Swing](#) for more information.

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